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For: **METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE SOURCE OF FOULING IN THERMAL CONVERSION PROCESS UNITS**

Examiner: Unknown

Group Art Unit: 1764

**The Honorable Commissioner for Patents**
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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In accordance with Title 37, Sections 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 of the Code of Federal Regulations, and pursuant to applicants' duty of candor and good faith toward the United States Patent and Trademark Office, the Examiner's attention is drawn to the art indicated on the attached PTO-1449 form.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under:

- ☐ 37 CFR 1.97 (b) (1) within three months of the filing date of a national application other than a continued prosecution application.
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Form PTO-1449 is attached to this paper listing documents submitted in the above-referenced case. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider these documents and return an initialed copy of each form to the attorney of record.

This disclosure statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other material information, as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56(a), exists.

The instant application was filed after June 30, 2003. In accordance with *1276 Official Gazette 55,* Aug. 5, 2003, which waives the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98 (a) (2) (i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication, applicants have not submitted copies of these documents. Copies of any cited foreign patent documents and/or non-patent literature are submitted herewith in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98 (a) (2).

We believe that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, and the Manual of Patent Examining Procedures § 609. If for any reason the Examiner finds that the disclosure or documents do not comply with these sections, notification is respectfully requested.

If there are any matters or issues outstanding, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the attorney of record at the telephone number listed below.

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